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NIGHT CARS.	
8.50 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.	every 30 minutes
9.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.	every 30 minutes
11.15 p.m. to 11.45 p.m.	every 15 minutes
SATURDAY.	
Extra Car—12 midnight.	
SUNDAYS.	
7.00 a.m. to 7.10 a.m.	every 10 minutes
7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	every 15 minutes
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THE TRANSFER OF KIAOCHAO.

DR. C. T. WANG'S SPEECH.

A translation of the speech delivered
by Dr. C. T. Wang, the Chinese delegate
on the occasion of the formal transfer of
the Kiaochow Leased Territory reads as
follows:

"Gentlemen—Eight years ago the European war broke out and its result made the Tsingtao administration a diplomatic question between China and Japan, which although your country would like to solve and restore it to China according to your declaration made, yet there was no opportunity for your doing so. Fortunately the Washington Conference solved the question by agreement, according to which the Peking Conference was held for working out the details. Since the Conference began your delegates have been working with us with full sincerity, and therefore completed the details of the first Section within the period as fixed by the Washington Conference. It is indeed a happy thing for both countries that your country is relieved of the responsibility which our country is very glad to take back. To-day is the day for the actual transfer of the Tsingtao Administration, which is also a happy occasion for both countries, and there is no other day which could mark or give a better indication than to-day for the Sino-Japanese friendship. We admire your eight years' administration of Tsingtao which doubled the population and made all kinds of enterprises prosperous. This does not only show the efficiency of your management, but also will serve as a precedent for us to follow. We shall make every effort to take advantage of this foundation for administration and protection of both foreign and Chinese residents in order to give them a peaceful life here, and to keep up the prosperity and to develop Tsingtao into a big commercial port in the Far East. It is our hope that this will be realized to the satisfaction of your authorities who have been working hard here for the past few years. To realize this hope, the first plan of our country to administer Tsingtao is to make it a special self-governing commercial port under the management of a high official, Mr. Huang, Director General for the Commercial Port of Tsingtao, who is now here. As a commercial port, Tsingtao is of international importance. Although our officials have a strong desire to develop such a port, yet to secure satisfactory administration, it also depends upon the foreign officials and residents' sympathetic assistance toward our administration. We appreciate Dr. Akama's attitude and believe that satisfaction will be found in the transfer of all which should be turned over to China. Consul-General Mori has been in China for a number of years, knowing our country very well; I hope that he will remain long in Tsingtao, and also believe that the Japanese residents and officials will be ready to give assistance and support whenever needed. Thus, the development of Tsingtao will be realized more easily. Taking advantage of your departure, I express the above to you, and wish you goodbye."

CONJUGAL DISPUTE AT SHANGHAI.

AN ACTION FOR MAINTENANCE.

An action brought by Mrs. Marie Thompson against her husband, Henry Arthur Thompson, to recover \$800 arrears of maintenance under a separation agreement dated July, 1921, was heard by his Honour Judge Grain at H.M. Supreme Court at Shanghai. The plaintiff made an accusation of misconduct against his wife which she, in the witness-box, denied, but produced a letter written by defendant in which he wrote:—"You want your freedom. Go and get it. Go and do whatever you wish. I have no more interest in you except as something to be shunned and forgotten as an evil presence."

His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff for the amount claimed, with costs, saying that defendant had failed to prove that the agreement had been broken. This was the only matter he had to decide, and he would not deal with the conjugal disputes of the parties. It was perfectly useless, his Lordship added, for defendant to bring charges against his wife unless he was prepared to prove them in evidence.

Defendant—With the greatest respect for your Lordship's judgment, I must say that I will sooner go to prison than pay my wife a single penny."

THE "SALVATION OF CHINA."

POSTPONED THROUGH LACK OF FUNDS.

The Shanghai Journal of Commerce reports that, at a meeting held at the house of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, 28, Rue Moliere, on Wednesday, it was decided that "steps towards the salvation of the country" should be postponed until a suitable opportunity presented itself. This decision was arrived at only after it was found that the party did not have sufficient funds and munitions. Among those present were representatives of Marshals Chiang Tso Lin (the Mukden war lord), Tuan Chi Jui (former Anfu Premier), General Chen Shu Fan (former Tuchen of Shensi), General Han Shu Tseng (Little Hsu), Dr. Wang Ching Wei (a well-known Kuomintang reformer), General Li Lieh Chun (former Taitai of Kiangsi), and General Wang Ta Wei (a British returned student, who is one of Dr. Sun's chief military leaders).

Local cinema patrons will have their last opportunity of seeing Douglas Fairbanks' film version of "The Three Musketeers" during the week-end. The Coronet's Christmas week attraction is to be a screen version of "Little Lord Fauntleroy," featuring Mary Pickford.

COMPANY MEETING.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company was held at the Company's Offices, yesterday, for the purpose of confirming the new Articles of the Company which were approved at a meeting of shareholders held on December 8th.

The Hon. Mr. E. V. D. FARR (Chairman) presided over the meeting and there were present: Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. W. E. Clark, and Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (Directors), Mr. John Arnold (Secretary), Mr. W. E. L. Shenton (the Company's Legal Adviser), and the following shareholders: Messrs. V. M. Grayburn, J. M. V. de Figueiredo, Lo Yuk Tong, J. J. Leasus, Mok Hing Kiu, Mok Wing Yue, Chai Tsun Nin, H. Smythe, T. G. Weat and Mowbray S. Northcote.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—The object for which this meeting has been called is, as indicated in the notice which the Secretary has just read, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the extraordinary general meeting held on the 8th inst. and of confirming, if thought fit, as a special resolution, the resolution which was passed as an extraordinary resolution at such meeting. That resolution, as you will remember, concerned the approval of the draft new Articles of Association of the Company.

You will also remember that at the above mentioned meeting I shortly explained to you why your Directors thought it essential to alter the Articles of Association, and I do not consider it necessary to deal further therewith, except to add that at the meeting in question the draft new Articles of Association were unanimously approved, and that a resolution recording such approval was unanimously passed as an extraordinary resolution.

Under the Hongkong Companies Ordinance, however, it is necessary that the approval of the new Articles of Association shall be signified by special resolution, and consequently this meeting has been convened for the purpose of enabling the extraordinary resolution above referred to be confirmed as a special resolution. I accordingly beg to propose the confirmation as a special resolution of the said extraordinary resolution namely:—"That the new Articles already approved by this meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof."

I shall be glad if some shareholder will kindly second that.

The motion was seconded by Mr. V. M. GRAYBURN and carried unanimously.

This was all the business before the meeting.

SMUGGLED CIGARETTES.

TWO MORE CASES: AN INTERESTING DISCOVERY.

There were two cases before Mr. Lindell, at the Magistracy, yesterday, in which the defendants were charged with having in their possession quantities of dutiable cigarettes.

In the first case the defendant was arrested in Yau-mat in possession of 500 cigarettes upon which duty had not been paid. The cigarettes bore a mark, purporting that duty had been paid, but the mark was a forgery.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$100.

In the other case the man was found in possession of 3,500 dutiable cigarettes. Chief Preventive Officer Clark asked for a remand in this case. He said that a forged chop had been found in the man's possession, which had apparently been used to mark the cigarettes "duty paid." He wished to consult the Crown Solicitor as to the advisability of laying a criminal charge against the defendant.

The Magistrate remanded the case until this morning.

A MARINE'S NIGHT OUT.

DAMAGING A RICKSHA.

A Private of the Royal Marine Light Infantry, named John R. Prendergast, was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Magistracy, yesterday, with willfully damaging a ricksha in Connaught Road on the previous night.

The defendant pleaded guilty and said that when he left the Hongkong Hotel, he ordered the ricksha puller to take him back to the Naval Yard. Instead of doing this the coolie pulled him round the town, and finally dropped the shafts of the ricksha and ran away. He admitted having a drink or two and very foolishly started to smash up the ricksha.

The coolie's version of the incident was that the defendant wanted to go to the Naval Yard, but directly he got into the ricksha he ordered him to go in a westerly direction.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$5 and ordered the defendant to pay the coolie \$5 compensation for damage done to the ricksha.

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"SARDINIA"

ARRIVED HONGKONG ON 21st Dec., 1922.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORTSAU,

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-

named vessel are hereby informed

that their Goods are being landed and

placed at their risk in the Hongkong and

Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's

Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment

will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery

can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional goods will be landed here unless

instructions have been given to the contrary

6 hours before arrival of the steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, including

date of arrival will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in

any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the

Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and

the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GORDON &

& DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on Mondays and

Thursdays.

All Claims must be presented within ten days

of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date

they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1922. [1865]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LTD.

FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBROUGH,

LONDON AND STRAITS.

The Steamship "BENLOMOND."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby inform-

ed that all Goods are being landed at their

risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous

Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd.,

whence and/or from the wharves

delivery may be obtained after the Goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining

undelivered after the 27th inst. will be subject

to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be

presented to the Undersigned on or before the

10th Jan., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are

to be left in the Godowns where they will

be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays

between the hours of 10 A.M. and Noon,

within the free storage period of one week.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE, LTD.,

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Hongkong, 31st December, 1922. [1963]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"ELLERMAN" LINE.

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN AND

ROTTERDAM.

The Steamship

"CITY OF YORK"

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risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous

Godowns of Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd.,

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delivery may be obtained after the Goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining

undelivered after 27th December, 1922, will

be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be

presented to the Undersigned on or before 3rd

January, 1923, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are

to be left in the Godowns where they will

be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays

between the hours of 10 A.M. and Noon,

within the free storage period of one week.

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OUTSTANDING QUESTION TO BE
REFERRED TO MANCHESTER.

Piece Goods Importers will be interested to learn that, last evening, the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce received an intimation from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce that, on certain conditions, the Chinese Piece Goods Guild has accepted the Chamber's new standard form of contract "for the time being." An outstanding question is to be submitted to the Manchester and Bradford Chambers and the Guild reserves liberty of action should the reply be unfavourable.

This marks what it is hoped will be the end of a long dispute. On the 3rd January, 1921, the Chinese Piece Goods Guild asked the General Chamber of Commerce to let its members to adopt a uniform contract, complaining that it was very inconvenient to Chinese dealers to have to work with a different form of contract in respect of every importing firm, especially having regard to difficulty connected with translation. A few months later, the Guild submitted a suggested form which proposed that there should be six months' free goodwill accommodation instead of the usual four months, and that, thereafter, interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum should be payable, instead of twelve. It was also proposed that goods should be ordered for arrival and not for shipment, which means that the shipper in Manchester would bind himself to get the goods to Hongkong by a certain date instead of, as at present, undertaking to ship them from Home by a certain date.

CHINESE CONTRACT CONTRARY TO TRADE PRACTICE.

This contract was unacceptable to importers; the proposed arrival clause would be contrary to the practice of the trade in India and in the Far East generally, and open to serious objection by the shipper; also, in the opinion of most importers, it would be unworkable. Importers therefore agreed upon a standard form of contract which, on the 3rd September, 1921, was sent to the Guild, who replied, on September 23rd, 1921, "In reply, we beg to say that we cannot agree to some of the points therein." Discussion followed, but the matter fell into abeyance owing to the troubled labour conditions at the beginning of this year.

Later, the question was re-opened at the request of the Guild and a conference between the Guild's representatives and members of the Piece Goods Sub-Committee of the General Chamber of Commerce went very fully into the matters in dispute. The reasons why the Guild's request for arrival could not be accepted were fully explained, but later, after further negotiations, it was agreed that the Guild's request for a Chinese translation of the form of contract, and another minor request, should be granted.

A SUSPENSION OF BUSINESS.

After this nothing more was heard from the Guild until October when a document was circulated by the Chinese brokers who said it was a form of contract on which dealers intended to work in future. On enquiry, the Guild admitted responsibility for the document although its name did not appear upon it. This proposed contract still insisted upon shipment for arrival, but agreed to a ten per cent. interest clause, instead of the reduction to eight per cent., formerly demanded. It was also proposed that in cases of dispute one of the arbitrators should be appointed by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

Piece goods importers held a meeting at which they rejected these proposals, and a suspension of business which had existed for some time continued, although a good many dealers were found willing to sign the old standard form of contract.

CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEDIATING.

At the end of November the Chinese Chamber of Commerce notified that they had been asked to act as mediators, and submitted an alternative contract similar to that of the Guild except that the interest clause suggested nine instead of ten per cent.

In order to bring about a settlement, importers agreed to reduce the interest to nine per cent. and drew up a new contract which included the minor concessions that had already been offered but still insisted upon ordering for shipment. It was promised that, if desired, the Guild's request as to arbitration would be submitted to the Manchester and Bradford Chambers and further considered on receipt of their reply.

THE IMPORTERS' NEW FORM OF CONTRACT.

The Guild's response, as indicated in the opening paragraph of this narrative, was that pending this reply they have accepted the proposed form of contract drawn up by the piece goods importers. The existing clauses of this document are as follows:

1. No more than four months' clearance including free goodwill, insurance, etc., will be allowed from date of arrival of goods from stock after which date the buyer shall pay 10 per cent. per annum, which shall cover interest, godown, insurance and all charges; the seller's right on buyer's failure to perform his obligation at day date of clearance shall be wholly unaffected by the provision for payment of 10 per cent. herebefore contained. Buyers to have ten days' grace without payment, eleven days' interest, etc., to be paid on the eleventh day.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

[BEFORE THE HON. MR. JUSTICE CAMPBELL.]

MACHINE-GUNS, RIFLES AND REVOLVERS ABOARD JUNK.

Chan Kui, the owner of a junk, and Yuen Shun Cheung, one of the crew, were indicted on a charge of being in unlawful possession of arms and ammunition comprising 157 revolvers, three machine-guns, nine magazines, four automatic rifles, and 71,720 rounds of ammunition.

The Jury were Messrs. F. J. Vicente (Foreman), E. M. French, G. M. Shaw, H. F. Bauer, C. M. Larson, C. P. Marcel, A. C. Gomes.

Mr. Campbell Prosser defended. Chan Kui pleaded "guilty" to the indictment, but the other prisoner pleaded "not guilty."

Before sentence was passed, Mr. Prosser addressed His Honour on prisoner's behalf. He admitted that when one looked at the quantity of arms and ammunition the junk was carrying, one was naturally appalled. But he contended that in this case, unlike the usual run of these cases which appeared before the Courts, there were extenuating circumstances. The prisoner was an illiterate junk owner pursuing a somewhat uncertain profession. He was offered this consignment, and so from motives of gain accepted. He knew that it was an offence, but he did not realise the enormity of it. Then, again, these arms were not meant for the Colony, but for Canton. In proof of this he would point out that the junk had been lying at the anchorage, in a fairly central position, for some days, giving plenty of opportunity for the arms to be smuggled ashore.

His Honour said that he thought the plea quite reasonable. But from a moral point of view it was quite as reprehensible for the man to take arms into a friendly country like China, as to bring them into the Colony of Hongkong. Sentence of five years' imprisonment would be passed.

The charge against the second prisoner was then taken.

The Attorney-General (Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C.) said the police searched the junk on November 21st. Yuen Shun Cheung at the time was actually chopping up packing cases which had contained the ammunition. The ammunition itself had been stowed away in sacks. Some of the wood appeared to have been intended for use as firewood, while some had been used to repair a leak in the junk. There was no direct evidence that the crew were actively engaged in the transfer, but the fact that the boxes were on board and that the ammunition was found in the sacks led to the obvious inference. Accused said when he first boarded the boat he did not know that there were guns and ammunition aboard; the first he knew of it was when the police boarded the boat.

Evidence was also given by Police-Sergeant Hare who boarded the junk. He said that the ammunition was very cleverly hidden beneath boards, and he admitted, in reply to His Honour, that the second prisoner could have walked from aft to foreward, where he was chopping up wood, without knowing anything about the arms.

The Jury returned a verdict of "guilty," and the prisoner was sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour.

2.—On the arrival of the goods the sellers shall immediately inform the buyers in writing of the number of packages, marks, and numbers, and yardage, the name of the steamer and also supply to the buyers a shipment sample of the goods.

3.—Sellers are not responsible for delay in shipment or non-fulfilment of contract if occasioned by strikes, fire, floods, war or civil commotions, or any other circumstances beyond their control, and the certificate of any British Chamber of Commerce or other representative Trade Corporation as to the cause of delay in shipment or non-fulfilment of contract shall be conclusive evidence thereof.

Should the delay due to the above causes be for a longer period than one month, excluding the above 30 days' grace, the buyers shall have the option of cancelling or accepting the delayed portion of the contract which option must be exercised within two days, local official holidays excepted, of the receipt of notification.

4.—(a) Any dispute regarding quality, made, finish, design, packing, delivery, etc., not settled amicably shall be referred to arbitrators to be appointed by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, and their findings shall be binding on both parties.

(b) Late shipment or non-arrival of one or more lots not to affect other shipments under this contract.

5.—Any goods not taken delivery of within the time specified shall remain at buyers' risk, excluding fire insurance and such risks as may be entered by negligence on the part of the sellers.

6.—The conditions of both English and Chinese languages, but no terms of this contract other than those expressed in the English language shall affect or be binding on the sellers.

These clauses shall not be varied or affected in any way by Chinese or other characters written or chopped on them by any persons purporting to be acting on behalf of either party.

SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.—(Kick-off 4 p.m.)

King's Regt. v. H.M.S. *Hawkins*, Soccer-Pool "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Smith.
H.M.S. *Ambrose* v. R.G.A. Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Tyldesley.
H.M.S. *Tamar* v. Hongkong Police South China ground. Referee: Mr. Williams.
H.M.S. *Durban* v. Hongkong Club, Navy "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Garton.
Kowloon v. H.M.S. *Titanica*, Railway ground, Kowloon. Referee: Mr. Perryman.

DIVISION II.—(Kick-off 2.30 p.m.)

H.M.S. *Hawkins* v. H.M.S. *Ambrose*, Hongkong Club ground. Referee: Mr. Collins.
R.G.A. v. United A.C., Soccer-Pool "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Cook.
H.M.S. *Titanica* v. Kowloon, Navy "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Davies.
South China "A" v. Warders, South China ground. Referee: Mr. Bampton.
H.M.S. *Durban* v. Fleet Auxiliaries, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Fairburn. (Kick-off 4 p.m.)

MID-WEEK LEAGUE GAMES.

The League games in mid-week resulted as follows:—

HONGKONG LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

H.M.S. *Titanica*..... 1 H.M.S. *Durban*..... 0

DIVISION II.

H.M.S. *Hawkins*..... 6 Auxiliaries..... 0

UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

H.M.S. *Tamar*..... 1 H.M.S. *Ambrose*..... 0

R.G.A. 0 H.M.S. *Titanica*..... 0

DIVISION II.

R.G.A. 1 H.M.S. *Forgiveness*..... 0

King's Regt. 4 H.M.S. *Magpie*..... 0

H.M.S. *Hawkins*..... 3 H.M.S. *Durban*..... 0

The game between the Services at Soccer-Pool will be worth watching and the sailors should be out to win if they wish to be in the running for the League Championship. A win for the King's will give them a good lead, and they will probably be strengthened early in the New Year with the arrival of the *Delta*. These teams have previously met this season, when, after the play being in favour of the military team the match ended in a draw of one goal all, the sailors failing from a penalty, while the soldiers failed to take the lead from a foul close in. Both teams show a falling off in recent matches but the military have a big reserve to draw from. This match should end in a win for the King's by a narrow margin.

The Club, who occupy the second position in the League, play the *Durban*, on the Navy "B" ground. The game should be evenly contested with the sailors having the better of the exchanges in the open. The Club forwards should get together and with combination close in, should win against the *Durban* defence. The Club's wing halves will be well tested by the speedy wings of the sailors, while the *Stewards* will be fully occupied looking after Darlison. Gerrard makes a welcome reappearance in the Club defence to-day.

Another good game between the Services should be seen on the Navy "A" ground where the *Ambrose* receive the R.G.A. The game should be evenly contested and the sailors on recent form should take the points. The R.G.A. can play a good game, but they are not consistent. Last week they beat the *Hawkins* by 2 goals to one and had most of the play throughout the game. These teams have previously met this season, the sailors winning by 3 to 0.

The *Tamar* and *Police* meet on the South China ground and it is expected that the sailors will break their series of losses by taking the points in this match. They have dropped four valuable points in their last two matches going down to the *Ambrose* and *Durban*. The *Police* will be without their goalkeeper, Swain, and Angus will be out in his place. The game should be fast and end in a win for the sailors.

At Kowloon, the visitors this week are the *Titanica* and the sailors are playing a good game just now. They will give Kowloon a good run and with a little luck will capture the points. The Kowloon team are making several changes in their team lately, and combination is lacking.

In the Junior division the King's will not be out, as the match arranged between them and St. Joseph's has been postponed.

The *Hawkins* should go to the top of the League this week for they should win against the *Ambrose*.

A fast game should be seen between the R.G.A. and United at Soccer-Pool and a draw is expected.

While the first teams are at Kowloon the *Titanica* and Kowloon seconds will meet on the Navy "B" ground and the visitors should win.

South China "A" will be at home to the Warders on St. Joseph's ground, and as this is the only match in which the locals are engaged a large crowd will line the ropes.

The University have written from Canton saying that they will not be able to fulfil their League engagement with the *Magpie* to-day.

Further news of the Interport match is expected during the week and will be published in the next issue of the *Standard*.

The Committee appointed to select the characters written or chopped on them by any persons purporting to be acting on behalf of either party.

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KIDNAPPERS AT WORK.

HOW A KIDNAPPER WAS FOUND.

A story of kidnapping was unfolded at the Magistracy, before Mr. Lindell, yesterday.

Early on Thursday morning a woman, living at Kowloon, left her children playing outside the house while she went to the market to shop. On her return she noted that her young son, aged three years, was missing. She reported the matter to her husband and to a clansman who lodged with them. The clansman was a man of energy and suspected it to be case of kidnapping, sent the husband to the Police Station to report the disappearance of the child whilst he went post haste to the Kowloon Railway Station to watch for the kidnapper.

After a long and weary wait a man was seen to stroll into the Station with the little chap in his arms. A detective, standing near by, was called and the man was arrested. At the Police Station a railway ticket for Canton was found in his possession.

The man told Mr. Lindell that he was asked to carry the child to the station for \$30. His worship informed him that his tale did not appear credible. After hearing all the evidence his Worship sentenced the prisoner to 12 months' hard labour and 12 strokes with the birch.

U.S.R.C. TENNIS.

ANNUAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT FINALS.

The United Services Recreation Club annual tennis tournament was concluded yesterday. The tournament proved to be the most successful event of its kind that has been held for some years past and some excellent tennis was witnessed. Pay-Commander Worthington was particularly successful, and managed to pull off the men's doubles, and together with Miss P. Grace, the mixed doubles. Miss P. Grace, also, did extraordinarily well, though she was rather fortunate in beating Mrs. Roberts in the semi-final of the ladies' singles. The handicapping worked out extremely well, and the results were as follows:—

MEN'S SINGLES HANDICAP.

Pay-Commander Worthington beat Capt. Dods, 6-1, 3-6, 8-2.

MEN'S DOUBLES.

Pay-Commander Worthington and Commodore Grace beat Capt. Forsyth and Capt. le Fleming, 7-5, 6-0.

LADIES' SINGLES.

Miss P. Grace beat Miss Wentworth, 6-2, 8-6.

LADIES' DOUBLES.

Miss G. Grace and Miss P. Grace beat Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Birmingham, 7-5, 6-4.

MIXED DOUBLES.

Pay-Commander Worthington and Miss P. Grace beat Lieut.-Com. Everleigh and Miss G. Grace, 6-4, 6-4.

TO-NIGHT'S BOXING TOURNAMENT.

DUNCAN UNABLE TO FIGHT.

Boxing Fans will be sorry to hear that A. B. Duncan, H.M.S. *Magpie*, who is billed to fight C. P. O. Callaghan, H.M.S. *Titanica*, to-night, has been forced to retire at the last moment, owing to injuries received during training. The Boxing Association are fortunate in having a man to fill the gap at such short notice, viz., Private Answorth, H.M.S. *Tamar*, who comes from Home with a very good record, and if form is any criterion he should make Callaghan travel. As Callaghan is the holder of the Heavyweight Championship of the Fleet, to-night's fight will be for the Heavyweight Championship of the Colony, and not the Middleweight as advertised previously.

CRICKET.

K.C.C. 2nd XI. v. HONGKONG 2nd XI.

At Kowloon, on Boxing Day, at 10 a.m.—A. O. Brown, H. Overly, W. J. Shenton, W. Hyde, W. L. Wensor, E. J. Edwards, J. C. Fletcher, H. L. Railton, H. H. Benson, S. Jex, and F. G. Herdridge.

H.K.F.C. v. H.M.S. "DURBAN."

The following team will represent the Club in their league game with the H.M.S. *Durban* to-day at 4 p.m. on the Navy "B" ground:—Rodger, Gerrard and Bishop; Israel, Stewart and McPhail (capt.); Purvis, Forsyth, Begg, McTavish and England.

KOWLOON v. "TITANICA"

The following have been selected to represent Kowloon in the first division v. H.M.S. *Titanica* to-day at 2.30 p.m. on the Kowloon ground:—Woodman, Wheeler and Knight; Morrison, King and McKivie; Clemo, Mann, Passo, A. Duncan and Coombs. Reserve, Millard.

KOWLOON v. "TITANICA"

In this 2nd division match on the Navy "B" ground to-day at 2.30 p.m., the Kowloon team will consist of:—Bannister, Olliver and Hooper; Mack, Ferguson, Spary, Blagden and Fosterbrook. Reserve, Johns and Christensen.

U.A.C. v. R.G.A. RESERVES.

The following will represent the United Athletic Club in the above second division league fixture to-day, on Soccer-Pool "A" ground, (kick-off at 2.30 p.m. sharp)—A. M. Other, Jackson and Chilton; Urganhart, Mackenzie and Leonard; Botelho, Derry, Brown, May and Chubb.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "WRAY CASTLE" FROM NEW YORK & BOSTON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 22nd inst. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 8th prox., or they will not be recognised. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th inst., at 10 A.M., by our Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents. [1923]

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No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th Dec. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the underwriter on or before the 11th Jan., or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 22nd December, 1922. [1924]

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2ND TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

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N. L. SMITH,

Superintendent, Imports and Exports. Hongkong, 20th December, 1922. [1921]

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A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 21st December, 1922. [1920]

NOTICE.

THE Police Recreation Club XMAS DRAW will take place 10-DAY SATURDAY, December 23rd, at 5.30 P.M. [1927]

NOTICE.

A CHRISTMAS TREAT will be given by Members of the CATHOLIC UNION CLUB and their Friends to the Pensioners under the care of the Secretary of St. VINCENT DE PAUL on SUNDAY, 24th DECEMBER, 1922, at 3 P.M. Subscribers and their Friends are cordially invited to attend.

J. D. OSMUND, President. [1921]

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BAKER.—At Shanghai, on December 17th, the wife of A. E. BAKER, a son.

NISH.—At Nathan House, Kowloon, on the 22nd inst., to Mr. and Mrs. H. NISH, a son. [1926]

TOON.—At Tientsin, on November 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. TOON, a daughter.

WYTHE.—At Shanghai, on December 13th, to Mr. and Mrs. D. H. WYTHE, a son.

MARRIAGES.

DAYTON.—MACDONALD.—At Shanghai, on December 16th, HARRY DAYTON, Electricity Department, S.M.C., of Portland, Oregon, U.S.A., to MARION M. MACDONALD, daughter of Mr. ALEX. MACDONALD, Glasgow.

RANKIN.—TOD.—At Shanghai, on Dec. 16th, WILLIAM FRASER RANKIN, of Fort William, Scotland, to JANET, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tod, of Shanghai.

DEATHS.

FERGUSON.—At Shanghai, on December 12th, ALEXANDER FERGUSON, aged 42 years.

MUNOZ.—At the Government Civil Hospital, on December 21st, TOMASIA MUNOZ. Macao papers please copy. [1921]

PERMERTON.—On the 17th inst. (by telegram), GEORGE WILLIAM CYRIL PERMERTON. [1925]

SILVA.—At Shanghai, on December 17th, EUGENIE MARIA SOPHIA COVINGTON DA SILVA, aged 3 years.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 23RD, 1922.

TYPHOON WARNINGS.

We reproduced a few days ago an extract from a Singapore paper's report of an interview with Father ALONSO, the famous meteorologist of Manila, on the subject of typhoon warnings. Among other things, Father ALONSO is reported to have said that the Philippine Government had now elected on the island of Santa Domingo de Basco, in the Wellington Channel, a wireless station which would have the effect of preventing loss of life such as occurred in Hongkong in 1893 and at Swatow a few months ago, by conveying sufficiently long warning of the

typhoon's approach, so as to enable the people to get out of danger. Father ALONSO was also reported as having said that "another island, which would be used in connection with this work was the island of Pratas, south-east of Hongkong." We wonder whether Father ALONSO is correctly reported, i.e., we are inclined to think that he said the island of Pratas should be used as a reporting station. We recollect that this was a recommendation made by the Commission appointed by the Hongkong Government to inquire into the working of the Observatory after the typhoon of 1906. That was a disaster which struck the Colony practically without warning: no signals were hoisted until the typhoon was upon us in great force, and the experts advised that only by having a wireless station on the Pratas atoll could we absolutely assure ourselves against another such surprise. At that time the dangerous Pratas island was regarded as a sort of no-man's-land, known to mariners as a spot to avoid. Some enterprising Japanese, however, had discovered that valuable phosphate deposits were there and they worked them profitably for some few years. When the proposal was made that a typhoon signal station should be established on this lonely island, the question, of course, arose as to who should be required to erect and maintain it? The original suggestion was that the Hongkong Government should do it, but the Chinese authorities promptly laid claim to the territory and took steps to oust the Japanese exploiters of the phosphate deposits. Thereupon the Governor (who at that time was Sir FREDERICK LUGARD) acquainted the Chinese Government, through H.M.'s Minister at Peking, with the importance which would attach to a typhoon signal on the island, not merely to Hongkong but to the southern coasts of China, and at the end of 1900 the British Minister at Peking informed the Hongkong Government that the Viceroy at Canton had been instructed to at once make the necessary arrangements to provide a typhoon signalling station on the island. At that time the Chinese Naval authorities had a wireless school at Whampoa, and there appeared no reason at all why the Chinese authorities should not be able to co-operate with the observatories of Hongkong, Manila and Formosa in keeping the whole area well informed of the movements of typhoons. The wireless plant was ordered and in due course reached Hongkong, where it lay for many months in a godown! What eventually became of it we do not know. No typhoon signal station has been erected on the Pratas atoll, and we have heard nothing of the project for years. We gather from the remark of Father ALONSO we have quoted above that there is still need of a station on the Pratas, though we find consolation in his assurance that "it is not possible now for a typhoon to strike the southern portion of Asia without previous warning being recorded by the instruments on Santa Domingo de Basco and a wireless warning could be sent to the parts likely to be affected." We conclude, therefore, that so long as we do not get a repetition of the 1906 disaster, little will be done to get the Chinese authorities to fulfil their promise. Perhaps the disaster to Swatow will influence them—if they are not prepared to do it themselves—at least to let the Hongkong Government maintain a wireless and observing station on the Pratas. The first thing to be done, however, is for Hongkong to establish "contact" with the new wireless station on the island of Santa Domingo de Basco. Co-operation between meteorological stations does not seem to be nearly as complete as it ought to be.

The transport Delta is expected to arrive at Hongkong on January 15th with a draft of the 2nd King's Liverpool Regiment and other details, and she will embark details for North China.

The accountant of Messrs. Ault and Wiborg has reported to the Police that some person entered their godown at No. 400, Connaught Road West, by means of a duplicate key and stole 13 cases of printing ink, valued at \$1,700.

A party of sixty students of the Hongkong University has been visiting Canton in charge of several of the Professors. They were taken over the Arsenal, the Electric Power Station, the Mint and some of the factories. They also played football and basket-ball with Canton teams.

Many old residents will regret to learn of the death of Mr. Cyril Pemberton, who for some years was Secretary of the China Fire Insurance Co. before its absorption by the Union Insurance Society of Canton. During the past six or seven years Mr. Pemberton had been in charge of the Union's fire department in London.

A Japanese woman, named Mrs. Hana Arakawa, aged 42 years of No. 44, Wellington Street, first floor, was found dead in her bed yesterday, with her girdle tied round her neck. It is believed to be a case of suicide. The deceased's husband and her eldest son have died during the past three months and this is believed to have preyed upon her mind.

At a recent auction, of race ponies in Shanghai it is mentioned that though several were quite likely looking animals, the auctioneer had practically to give away many of them, "for there are a tremendous number of ponies in Shanghai just now and herds of griffins still unsold." For the famous pony Social Union bidding went as high as Tls. 6,000, but there was a reserve of Tls. 7,500, and the pony was accordingly withdrawn.

It is stated that the new Cabinet at Peking declines to recognize legality of the extension of the defunct Austro-German loan of six million pounds sterling of which a revised agreement was signed by former Finance Minister Lu Wen Kan with the agents of the Sino-Italian Bank on November 14th without the previous concurrence of the Parliament and the Cabinet. The new agreement is declared illegal and unconstitutional, and the two Ministries are instructed to regard it as invalid and to negotiate with foreign interests concerned on this basis.

The latest issue of the N.C. Daily News to hand says: The past week has brought no material change in the situation of the Russian refugees at Woosung, though it is whispered that for a few of them, preferring to risk the known privations of life on shore to the known discomforts of boardship life in the Yangtze, have managed to slip ashore at night time. For which no one can blame them. To the main question, what is to become of the refugees, there is no satisfactory answer. The Chinese are understood to be ready to provide the necessary coal and supplies to enable the ships to go somewhere else. But where they are to go, nobody can say. If any responsible authority is negotiating with the Vladivostok Government for a guarantee of their safety if they return, we have not heard of it. If it is impossible to secure the refugees' return to Vladivostok, there appears no alternative but that Shanghai must be prepared to grapple with the problem. The boys [cadets from military colleges] cannot be left indefinitely on board these little boats; sooner or later disease will break out among them, not to mention the normal discomfort of their position.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A CHRISTMAS PLAY.

[TO THE EDITOR OF "THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—It has been my privilege to witness the Dress Rehearsal of "The Tempest."

I was of the opinion that our A.D.C. was undertaking a most ambitious and not very popular play, even though it be, as is usually agreed, Shakespeare's greatest work.

Also, I expected it would prove dull and prosy, for I am one of those ordinary persons who like gay and amusing productions, revues and other light entertainments.

You may judge of my surprise and delight, therefore, when I found I was witnessing a really wonderful Christmas play, full of lively music and dancing, sniffling buffoonery and poetry; and one

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]REPARATIONS PAYMENTS.
PROPOSED SURVEY OF GERMAN
ECONOMIC CONDITIONS.

New York, December 21st.

Mr. Julius Barnes, President of the United States Chamber of Commerce, claims entire credit for the movement to survey German economic conditions which he states is due to American initiative. He has pledged his organization to support any action the Government may take towards this most important world-wide question involved in the reparations settlement.

FRENCH SENATE VOTE OF
CONFIDENCE.

PARIS, December 21st.

After a speech by Premier Poincaré, on the question of reparations, the Senate passed a motion of confidence in the Government.

EARLIER CABLES.

PROPOSED NEW BASIS.

New York, December 21st.

The Associated Press London correspondent states that it is understood the United States, at the request of the German Trade Commission, of which Herr Cuno is the head, has begun negotiations with France and Great Britain with a view to the appointment of a commission of American business men for fixing a new basis of reparation payments. It is stated that Britain's consent to such a plan has already been transmitted to Washington, and an early reply from France is expected.

It is understood that the proposal reached the United States Government through the United States Chamber of Commerce, which was asked by Herr Cuno and his associates to appoint a commission, headed by Mr. Hoover, to visit Germany and impartially survey the financial and economic situation.

A SOLUTION POSSIBLE.

LONDON, December 21st.

It is understood that the British Government has not been approached by the United States regarding any proposal to form a commission of American business men, as mentioned earlier, or other fresh reparations proposals, but there is good reason to believe that certain informal suggestions have been made to France through the Ambassador at Washington, probably advocating a reconvocation of the International Bankers' Commission. It is thought if the Commission reassembled under the present modified conditions a solution of the impasse might be found.

LATEST CABLES.

LAND AND SEA ARMAMENTS.
SUGGESTED CONFERENCE OF THE
POWERS.

WASHINGTON, December 21st.

Senator Borah has introduced an amendment in the Senate, to the Naval Appropriations Bill, requesting President Harding to call a conference of the Powers to consider economic questions, and also the reduction of land and sea armaments. The amendment is apparently designed to replace the Appropriation Committee's amendment, requesting President Harding to call a new naval disarmament conference.

DUTCH CONSOLIDATION LOAN
FIRST CHAMBER PASSES BILL.

THE HAGUE, December 21st.

The First Chamber of the States General has passed, without a division, the Government Loan Bill mentioned in cable messages of 14th and 19th December.

NEW RUSSIAN COMMERCIAL
BANK.

ASSISTED BY SWEDISH CAPITAL.

BERLIN, December 21st.

A Russian commercial bank, with a capital of ten million gold roubles, in which a Swedish banker is considerably interested, has been opened at Moscow. The bank is permitted to deal in foreign currencies and precious metals. These transactions have hitherto been restricted to the Soviet State Bank.

THE BAVARIAN OUTRAGES.
GERMANY APOLOGIZES.

PARIS, December 21st.

Advices from Berlin state that the claims and requirements of the Conference of Ambassadors, as regards apologies for the Passau and other incidents, mentioned in yesterday's cable messages, have already been fulfilled or constitutionally met.

FRENCH PACIFIC
POSSESSIONS,
UNIFICATION URGED.

PARIS, December 21st.

In the Chamber, during a debate on the Colonial Estimates, the Reporter, M. Archimbaud, citing the Washington Conference in support of his contention that the Pacific was becoming the economic centre of the world, declared that France ought to ensure her position there. He urged the unification of French possessions in the Pacific under one High Commissioner and said he was of opinion that Indo-China, of whose rapid progress striking evidence had been set forth, should aid the Pacific Colonies financially.

M. Sarraut, Minister for the Colonies, endorsed the suggestion. Referring to the smallness of the French Colonial Army, he mentioned that the Government did not approve General Mangin's plan for the establishment of a coloured Army.

"FEDERATED INDIAN
REPUBLIC."

A BOLSHEVIST VISION.

LONDON, December 21st.

A programme for adapting Bolshevism to Indian conditions has been prepared for submission to the Indian National Congress at Gaya next week by M. N. Roy, a notorious Indian Communist, living in Berlin. He claims complete national independence and the establishment of a Federated Republic of India. The sovereignty of the people is to be vested in the National Assembly, which will be the supreme authority.

THE USUAL PROGRAMME.

The programme attacks not only the Government but also landlords, traders, and employers generally, and the alleged grievances of the masses are exploited merely in the interests of the revolutionary movement.

PROGRESS AT LAUSANNE.

A THORNY QUESTION SETTLED.

LAUSANNE, December 21st.

The general apprehension prevailing before yesterday's meeting has been replaced by optimism. The most thorny question of the Straits has virtually been settled, and it is hoped the remaining disputed questions will be settled in a similar spirit of conciliation and compromise, and that a final treaty will be concluded by the second or third week of January.

REBEL INFESTED IRELAND.

DESTRUCTIVE IRREGULAR
TACTICS.

LONDON, December 21st.

Irregulars infesting the Louth district are warring against the road and railway traffic. They held up the Belfast-Dublin mail train six miles south of Dundalk last night and ordered the passengers out. They then sprinkled the coaches with petrol and switched the blazing train on to the up-line, where it ran full-speed towards Droghda and collided with a goods train with an armed engine from Dublin bearing munitions for the Free State forces at Dundalk. Both trains were derailed, and the wreckage burned for hours, constant explosions making it dangerous to approach.

LOSS OF THE "CLAN GORDON".
S.O.C.O.N.Y. SECURES DAMAGES.

LONDON, December 21st.

The Standard Oil Company of New York has recovered £97,982 and costs in the Court of Session at Edinburgh from the Clan Line in respect of a cargo of oil and paraffin wax on board the *Clan Gordon*, proceeding from New York to China, which was lost in a smooth sea on July 30th, 1920.

The plaintiffs alleged that the master improperly emptied two water ballast tanks, thus altering the ship's equilibrium, so that a quick turn of the helm caused her to heel over and sink.

M. CLEMENCEAU'S LECTURES.
SURPLUS OF \$30,000 DEVOTED TO
EDUCATION.

WASHINGTON, December 21st.

It is stated that the surplus money received by M. Clemenceau from his lectures and newspaper articles has been presented to the American Field Service Fund for University fellowships, and amounts to twenty thousand dollars.

ADMIRAL DUFF.
RECEIVED BY H.M. THE KING.

LONDON, December 21st.

H.M. the King has received Admiral Sir Alexander Duff, upon his relinquishing his appointment as commander-in-chief of the China station.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S
HOLIDAY.

LONDON, December 21st.

Mr. Lloyd George has departed to spend Christmas and January in Algiers.

OBITUARY.
SIR EDMUND ROBBINS.

LONDON, December 21st.

The death is announced of Sir Edmund Robbins, former manager of the Press Association.

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MILITANT WOMEN COTTON-MILL
OPERATIVES.

SHANGHAI, December 22nd.

Owing to a 40 cent fine being imposed by the foreman, two hundred women employees of the Handah Cotton Mill at Pootung (Shanghai) attacked and wrecked the mill offices, despite resistance by the male staff reinforced by a fire hose. The women were subsequently routed by a detachment of police with carbines which were snatched from policemen. Several male employees, including the offending foreman, were injured. The mill has been closed.

ELECTION OF CHINA'S PREMIER.

DR. WANG WILL ACT PENDING
COMPLETION.

PEKING, December 22nd.

Directing attention to the fact that the ten days for which he had promised to act as Premier had expired, Dr. C. T. Wang yesterday formally tendered his resignation.

The President has not yet replied, but it is understood that Dr. C. T. Wang will continue to act until the election of Chang Shou Tseng is completed.

BRITAIN'S SHARE OF THE BOXER
INDEMNITY.TO BE DEVOTED TO MUTUAL BENEFIT
OF BRITAIN AND CHINA.

PEKING, December 27th.

Reuter's correspondent learns that the British Government has decided, in principle, to devote the future instalments of the British share of the Boxer Indemnity to purposes mutually beneficial to China and Great Britain.

Pending an official communication to this effect, the Chinese Government has been informally notified of the intention of the British Government.

POST-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS
SUGGESTED.

LONDON, December 21st.

The *Times* Muckden correspondent, in an article, suggests that no better use could be found for portion of the Boxer Indemnity, than the endowment of a number of post-graduate scholarships, tenable in Great Britain by Chinese students from the Straits Settlements and Hongkong.

CHINA'S GREATEST NEED.

He emphasises that China's greatest need at present is transport facilities, and he says he is sure there are many Chinese engineering students in Hongkong and the Straits Settlements who would, after graduating, be glad to study road making and other municipal enterprises in Great Britain.

OPENINGS IN CHINA FOR PICKED
MEN.

Similarly, the Government, postal, telephone and telegraph administrations could offer openings to picked men, who would return to their native country imbued with the sound traditions of the British Civil Service, coupled with a technical knowledge of some special subject, and it should not be difficult to also arrange admission for a number of these endowed students to factories in Great Britain.

"A WISE AND GRACEFUL ACT."

LONDON, December 21st.

Commenting on the announcement from Peking, to the effect that Great Britain had decided to devote the Boxer Indemnity to purposes mutually beneficial to both countries, the *Times* says that this is a wise and graceful act of far-reaching statesmanship, and deduces that the money will be spent on the education of Chinese under British auspices.

THOROUGHLY PRACTICAL EDUCATION
ADVOCATED.

The *Times* is of opinion that in order to quicken the best elements in Chinese traditions with British ideals, not only demands money, but careful forethought and intimate sympathy, the conditions for which are already present, and declares that the education should be thoroughly practical, and given, as far as possible, in the country itself.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHINA'S
RESOURCES.

SINO-BRITISH CO-OPERATION.

LONDON, December 21st.

In the course of a speech at a dinner at the Overseas Chinese Society, Mr. Chao Hsin Chu (Chinese Charge d'Affaires) said that helping China set her house in order would not only benefit China, but would also help keep China's door open for international trade, which would benefit the world generally, and Great Britain particularly. The more China's resources were developed the greater would be the benefit to Great Britain.

As far as her foreign trade was concerned he felt confident that both countries were looking for harmonious co-operation.

CHINESE STUDENTS EULOGIZED.

Sir Alfred Ewing (Vice-Chancellor University of Edinburgh) said the number of Chinese students in Edinburgh University was approximately one per cent. of the whole number. He wished the other ninety-nine per cent. were as good as the Chinese. No body of students was so completely satisfactory, but Chinese students were not overlooking the fact that they represent a civilisation which has played a great part in the history of the world, and might be destined to play an even greater part in the future.

THE RUSSIAN REFUGEES.

ANOTHER "RED" PROMISE.

SHANGHAI, December 22nd.

The Soviet Government, through a Mission in Peking, has offered Admiral Stark and the refugees at Woosung full amnesty provided they return to Russian waters and hand over all naval and other property belonging to the Soviet.

The refugees are still held at Woosung owing to the Chinese authorities' refusal to allow them to land, due to lack of employment in Shanghai.

INCREASED CHINESE POSTAL
RATES.ACTION BY GOVERNOR OF SUNGKIANG
AND SHANGHAI.

SHANGHAI, December 21st.

The Military Governor of Sungkiang and Shanghai, General Ho Feng Lin, stated at a meeting to-day that the new postal and telegraph rates were unwarrantable and were causing considerable hardship to people. He announced that the old rates would again come into force with his jurisdiction.

POSTAL COMMISSIONER'S THREAT.

The Postal Commissioner, Mr. Shields, is asserted, is threatening to close down the Post Offices in his district, but the Chinese Telegraph Administration is announcing a renewal of the former rates.

NAVY'S OIL IN THE WAR.
LATE LORD NORTHOLFFE'S BOLD
ACTION.

A little of the secret history of the war is revealed in the November issue of *The World's Work*. It is contained in a letter which the late Lord Northolffe wrote on August 18th, 1917, to Mr. Walter H. Page, then the American Ambassador to the Court of St. James.

Lord Northolffe was at that time British Commissioner to the United States, and his letter was written from Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts.

"In great privacy," he says, "let me tell you of an enormous responsibility that was placed on my shoulders one midnight, in the form of a desperate cable from A. J. B. (Mr. Balfour) as to the immediate putting of our fleet out of action owing to an apparently suddenly discovered great shortage of oil. I had only been here for a few days, but long enough to know that such fuel is already scarce here. I knew that that cable, if disclosed, would cause such a jump in the oil market as had never been known. I was up bright and early I can assure you."

"A little cautious pussyfooting as to the oil fuel situation brought no comfort—great demand, small supply—nothing doing. I read and re-read that telegram, and finally called up the Standard Oil head man. We met, and I gave him the cable to read, despite its 'Most Urgent, Most Secret' inscription. He read it slowly twice, gave it back to me, saying: 'If it can be done, it will be done.' I said nothing whatever about price.

"Those people started in right there and oil was pouring across the Atlantic with great strides, and at a lower price than we had averaged over here. They could have squeezed millions out of our trouble if they had chosen. When I thanked them they merely remarked: 'It's our war as well as yours.' I can imagine the panic at No. 10 if they had known that I had disclosed that cable to the oil controllers."

PEKING TO CALCUTTA.

GENERAL PEREIRA'S ADVENTUROUS
JOURNEY.

A Calcutta telegram of December 21st furnishes details of the itinerary of General Pereira of which Reuter sent us a very short summary.

General Pereira, General George Pereira, C.B., who set out to journey from Peking to Calcutta by way of Lhasa, arrived in Calcutta a few days ago, states the wire, completing a journey that has never before been done as far as is known by any man and certainly never before by any white man. The journey was one of over 7,000 miles. General Pereira traversed over half this on foot and the strain has been so severe that he is now in a Nursing Home in Calcutta. There are clots of blood at the back of his left calf and he thinks he will have to remain in bed for two or three weeks. This has altered his plans somewhat, for General Pereira had intended to proceed to Delhi soon after his arrival and next journey to Burma.

An Englishman representative visiting General Pereira on Saturday found him in bed busy with maps. The General said his foot was frequently painful during the journey, but it was never a hindrance to prevent him from continuing his journey. On arrival at Gangtok, however, he had to take to his bed. The journey from Gangtok to Calcutta was made by motor car and train. General Pereira left Peking in January, 1921. He knows Peking very well, having been Military Attaché at the Embassy there for several years preceding the great war. He had also been attached to a Chinese regiment prior to 1900 and served in China in 1900, being slightly wounded in the campaign.

APPALLING MOUNTAIN CLIMB.

From Peking to Lhasa it is 2,000 miles as the crow flies. But General Pereira could not journey in so direct a manner. He journeyed by train to Tientsin and to Tsienyu and to Taiyuan and then travelled by cart to Shanxi. After crossing the Wangho he travelled partly by train to Loryang, where he met General Wupeifu, who at the time of the meeting (last year) was the centre of a big movement in China. General Pereira visited Shansi, the old capital of China, and climbed Shih Kwashan, which is one of the five sacred mountains of China. The climb was appalling. The mountain consists of great rocks all twisted and steep zig-zag paths wind upward. The paths are cut into the rocks in the form of irregular steps, some of which are a foot or two away from each other, and to the sides of these paths are precipitous drops of 2,000 and more feet. The climb had to be made by using chains for hanging oneself up on the rocks. Numerous small temples are scattered. "It was one of the steepest climbs we had," said General Pereira; "it afforded a most magnificent view." General Pereira next entered the notorious province of Shansi, which with its neighbour Szechuan, are the two most brigand-infested provinces of China. In one of these provinces there are reported to be 50,000 brigands. Just before General Pereira went through some brigands captured a missionary. These provinces are in an utter state of chaos. They do not recognise the authority of Peking. It is practically impossible to get through these provinces unless you make some arrangement with the brigands. General Pereira visited the magistrate, who discussed the matter with the brigands, and General Pereira was able to proceed unmolested.

Chungtu was about the worst spot. Just beyond Chungtu lie a range of mountains which General Pereira visited for some shooting. He found delightful sport, but it was bitterly cold and he had his foot frost-bitten and was laid up for a month.

TREKKING ACROSS TIBET.

A journey was next made into Tachienlu, a region of China which is full of Tibetan tribes. General Pereira from here worked his way northwards through more country inhabited by Tibetan tribes and so up the main river into Kwanan. Here he met the Prince Chortu, who has a vast tract of territory under his jurisdiction and is the biggest Tibetan Prince in the province. The Prince is an old friend of General Pereira's and the General spent a very pleasant time shooting. From here the General went on to Simingtu, which is inhabited by a great many Mahomedans under Ma-Chi (Ma is the prefix of all Mahomedan families in Kwanan). The Mahomedans do not hit it off with their neighbours and there are a few wars. General Pereira proceeded to Tangku, which is the starting point of all caravans across Tibet. At Tangku General Pereira engaged interpreters for the great journey, bought 18 mules and five horses, a quantity of supplies, had to make his own saddles and then set out for the great trek across North-Eastern Tibet. Tangku is like any other caravan starting place. General Pereira met some Russian missionaries here who were very helpful.

The great trek started last May. The first nine days were not unpleasant going. General Pereira met a number of nomads. The track, suited only to pack animals, lay across grassland, but on the tenth day they left the grassland and the nomads behind them and for the next seven or eight days saw not a tree nor a blade of grass nor passed another human being. The mules suffered badly, one of the eighteen dying, but later they luckily met a caravan from whom they bought some yaks, which are much harder animals and can stand the cold much better. The remaining mules were by this time not only unable to carry any loads, but even without loads they were slower than the hardened yaks and a halt had to be called every four or five days in order to rest the mules. North-Eastern Tibet is a region of tremendous winds. The weather is most changeable; at one minute the sun may be shining and two minutes later it may be pouring with hail; a quarter of an hour later there may be snow and still a quarter of an hour later most beautiful sunshine. Usually there was heavy rain at night and the nights were most bitterly cold. It was quite pleasant in the middle of the day if there was no storm. The land lies in the form of a great plain spotted with a few hills. There are no trees at all. The height was well above 12,000 feet. In fact during the whole of his journey across Tibet General Pereira was at a height of over 12,000 except for two descents to 10,000 when he entered valleys. To the east during this great journey General Pereira saw (it was visible for many days and could be seen for miles around) a most wondrous mountain, the

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THE SAILOR'S SMOKE.

SHOULD THE SHIPPER TAKE A
PROFIT ON TOBACCO?

Questions have been asked in the House of Commons as to the profits which some smokers see fit to make on the tobacco which they obtain duty-free, and which they retail to the men under their command and as was to be expected, the Board of Trade has replied that it can do nothing in the matter, says the *Journal of Commerce*. As far as official interference is concerned the matter must rest there, but at the same time there is no getting away from the fact that the system is not ideal and that it makes a matter that might well be looked into rather carefully by all concerned. It is very certain that some master mariners make quite an unreasonable profit out of tobacco and such like, while others are so scrupulous to their subordinates that they finish the voyage at a loss through spoiling, weight and other causes. Perhaps the majority think that it is a fair balance to charge just enough to give them their own smoking during the voyage free of charge.

AN ESTABLISHED PRACTICE.

This practice is so well established that it must be admitted that it is certain to be a difficult job to effect any change in it, but at the same time there are one or two points that might well be considered and kept in view. One of the most important factors in the economical and efficient running of a ship is discipline, and any thing that could possibly do it harm in any way whatever must be suspect, no matter what interests are involved. One's first thought in connection with the sale of tobacco and other commodities by the master is whether this does any harm to the discipline of his ship's company, and if so, to what extent. Certainly the man who reckons to make a very good profit on the voyage cannot fail to cherish his authority in the eyes of his men, and he must decide for himself whether the profit he has made will atone for the trouble to which he has been put. Then the owners must tot up costs and decide whether the personal profits of the master have made any difference through the work got out of the crew.

AT COST PRICE.

It may be said that it is stretching the point a little to think that the opinion of the men would make very much difference anywhere, but careful investigation carried out by one or two first-class companies has shown that it is a factor well worth taking into serious consideration, and one that may have a very considerable effect on the economy of the ship. If the captain makes a big profit out of his men he puts himself into something like the position of a shopkeeper in their eyes, and the sailorman, as other folk, expects the shopkeeper to treat him with a certain amount of respect. The result of this rather puzzled state of mind is that the captain loses a good deal of the respect that is his by right, and the very natural objection which the seaman has to being overcharged becomes a really serious grouse.

As a matter of fact, there is no reason why the seaman should expect any man or company to go to a lot of trouble that he may have his tobacco at cost price, and it is only reasonable that he should pay a reasonable sum for it. The best plan seems to be to copy the example set in some first-class cargo vessels and let the chief steward do the selling on behalf of the owners. As a reputable firm does not want to make a reputation of price-cutting in the world for the height, nobody would have any complaint at all.

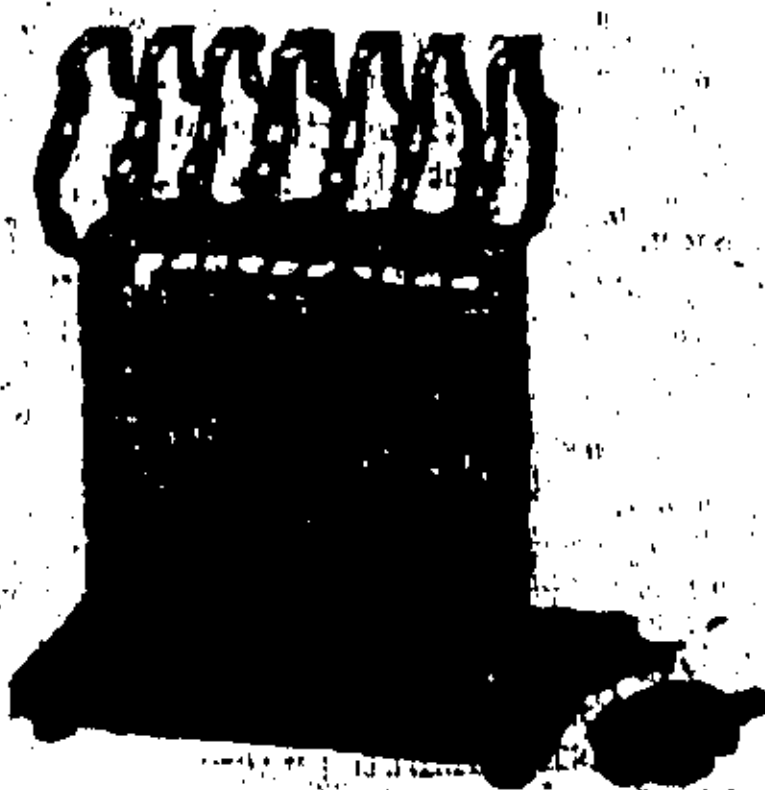
ARRIVAL AT LHASSA.

After this appalling journey across North-Eastern Tibet General Pereira says it was a relief to get to Lhasa, where he found a few days' rest. He met Madame Neel, a French Buddhist lady, who was the only European General Pereira met during his entire journey across Tibet down to Gyantze, which is a British trade centre. After crossing the Yangtze the country was different. The valleys were clothed with trees, barley was in cultivation. General Pereira halted for forty days at Chuanbdo awaiting the messenger was one of 700 mules and way. This was a year of record floods in Tibet and some of the very few bridges there across rivers suffered. General Pereira found the bridge across the Salween in a damaged state and had to proceed westwards by another route, crossing the river in leather coracles which is the method employed for crossing most rivers in Tibet, even the broader ones which are 80 to 100 yards wide. South of the jumble of mountains and valleys the entire going was up and down. There was not a flat spot at Lhasa. General Pereira was made most welcome. He arrived there last October and stayed in Lhasa for about ten days as the guest of the Tharong, the Commander-in-Chief of the Tibetan Army. The Commander-in-Chief is a young man about 33 years of age. He speaks English and has a daughter in school in Darjeeling. He was most friendly in his welcome to General Pereira and made him his guest providing him with a villa in the best residential suburb of Lhasa. In this suburb, which is the western suburb, there are in all six or seven villas each situated in most pleasant grounds. One of these villas is occupied by the Dalai Lama, who does not now live in the Potala. The only modern road in Tibet runs from the Potala to this suburb. General Pereira said he was made most welcome everywhere he went in Tibet. In every village in which he rated deputations of villagers led by the headman waited on him with gifts, bringing him vegetables and meat in such quantities that his room was converted into a Covent Garden.

From Lhasa the journey to Calcutta lay along a fairly familiar route. At Gyantze and at Yatung there are British agents. At Gangtok, the capital of Sikkim, there is a British Resident. From the Presidency General Pereira came by way of Kalimpong to Calcutta.

General Pereira is now in his 53rd year. He was in the Grenadier Guards and saw service both in the South African and

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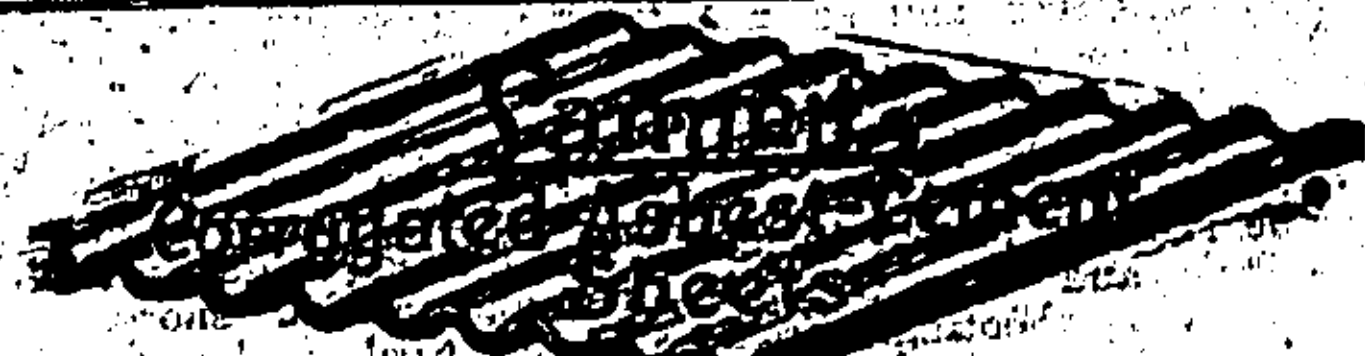
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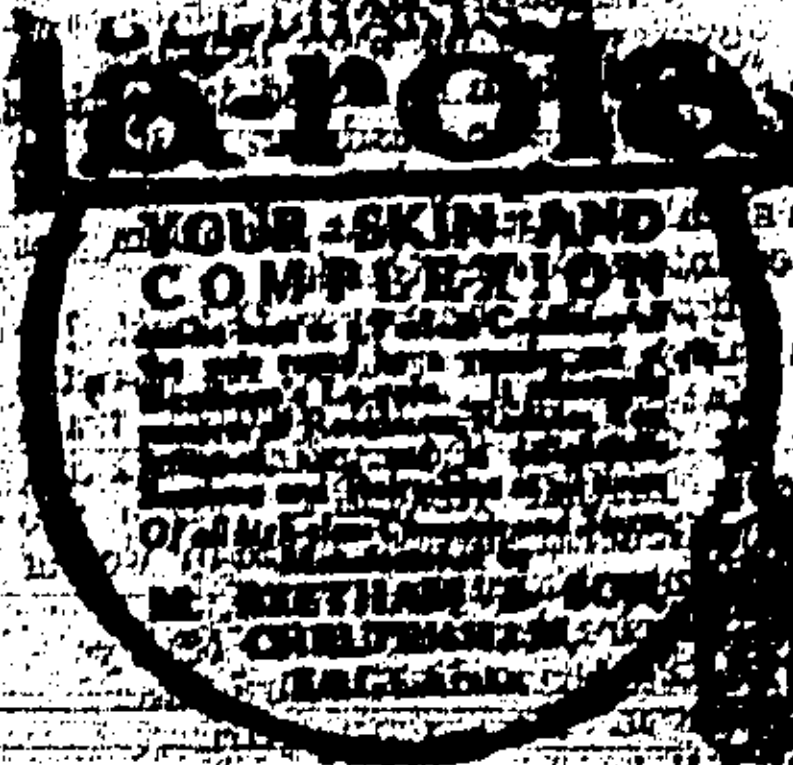
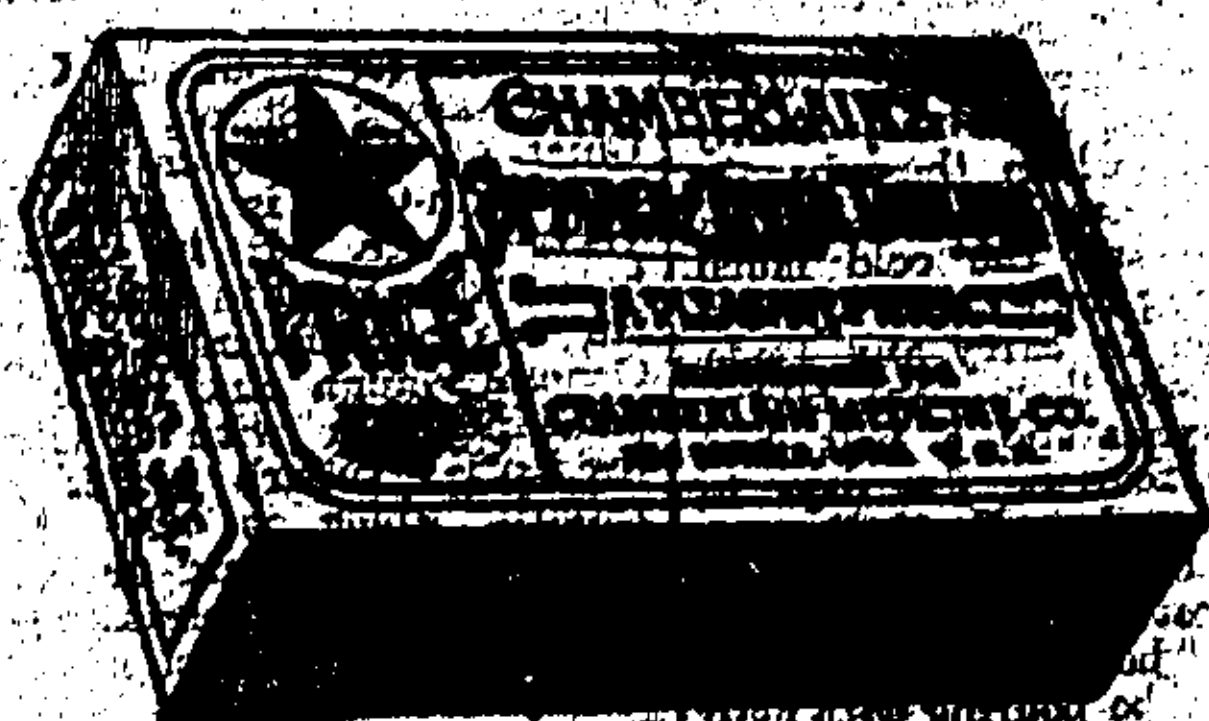
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MRS. ASQUITH'S MEMORIES.
THE LANSDOWNE LETTER

In the instalment published last month in the *Sunday Times* of her Autobiography, Mrs. Asquith refers to the letter by the Marquis of Lansdowne, which appeared in *The Daily Telegraph* in Nov., 1917, and created much discussion by its comments on the war. Mrs. Asquith writes:

"On November 29th, 1917, my husband called me into his library. Professor Gilbert Murray, Lord Charles Montagu, and Lord Lansdowne were coming into lunch at 30, Cavendish-square, and it was past one o'clock.

"I found him walking up and down. He put *The Daily Telegraph* into my hands, saying, 'I would like you to read this quickly before Lansdowne arrives.'

"I sat down and read the memorable letter by Lord Lansdowne, dated November 29th, 1917. When I had finished, Henry said: 'This is an excellent and sensible letter which will make a great deal of it. It is unfortunately ill-timed, but this it would be always called, whether he had published it when we were winning or losing. I am glad Lansdowne has had the courage to write it.'

"He went on to say that though he had never had the faintest doubt—nor had he now—as to our ultimate victory, he thought the war was likely to end on the same spot where it had begun, and that if the minds of men could only see far enough, they would treat Lansdowne's ideas with respect.

"I told Lord Lansdowne during lunch what Henry had thought of his letter, at which he said: 'I am much relieved by what you say. As you know, long ago—I said—and you agreed that some nation would have to speak first. If we all wait for the right moment, we shall certainly wait for ever. With the collapse of Italy, and Russia in a state of revolution, it is, of course, a bad time to speak, but as I shall be cursed by everyone, a little more or less matters nothing. I agree with your husband; neither the Allies nor the Germans will push their victory into the enemy's country, and the war will end where it began.'

"Mr. Bonar Law, Lord Carson, and every newspaper vied with the other next day in vilifying Lord Lansdowne, and London was seen at its worst. He was the 'Bolo,' the 'Shirker,' and the 'Punk.' The gutter press published photographs of Lansdowne, House bracketed with irrelevant pictures of alms and starving children, nor was it outsiders alone who heaped infamy upon him—members of his own family publicly repudiated him.

"I was interested to observe that this abuse was not universal in Mayfair, and some of our high society had the courage to praise Lord Lansdowne, though in lowered voices. General Grant and other commanders, however, informed me that many of our best soldiers, here and abroad, not only agreed with the letter, but wished it had been written months before.

"In saying this I do not mean that Lord Lansdowne or any of his advisers thought that Germany would win the war. I personally never met anyone who thought that—although I was told after the armistice the names of a few who did—but many of the men whose judgment I valued foresaw, with singular accuracy, how little there is to be gained by a long war, even to the victors. Large fortunes, however, were being accumulated, and it is surprising how easily non-combatants get acclimated to death."

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong—24th December, 1922, 4th Sunday in Advent.
Holy Communion (8.00 a.m.) Mattins (11 a.m.); Responses, Psalms, Venite, Barnaby, Paulus, 94 (Trinitarian); Te Deum, Woodward, Smart, Turle; Benediction, Leont (7th morning); Anthem, "To God on High," Mendelssohn; Hymn, 49; Liberty (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

December 21st.

Colchen, British str., 4,315 tons, Capt. B. J. Woodgett, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

Phan Samul, Siamese str., 1,237 tons, Capt. Y. Nairan, from Bangkok, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

Pongtong, British str., 1,001 tons, Capt. J. G. Smith, from Bangkok, with rice.—Carmichael & Clarke.

Seang Bee, British str., 3,781 tons, Capt. R. S. Connolly, R.D., R.N.R., from Singapore, with a general cargo.—Tuen Kee.

Tonglee, Chinese str., 882 tons, Capt. T. Azuma, from Dairen, with a general cargo.—Yue Tai Hong.

Van Oosthuizen, Dutch str., 2,837 tons, Capt. J. J. Claassen, from Amoy, with a general cargo.—J.C.L.

Yue Ying, British str., 316 tons, Capt. Wm. Ross, from Pakhoi, with a general cargo.—Cheong Yue S.S. Co.

December 22nd.

Bermuda, British str., 4,163 tons, Capt. W. J. Ireland, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—Nimble.

Chusan, British str., from Canton.

Empress of Asia, British str., 16,999 tons, Capt. L. D. Douglas, from Manila, with a general cargo.—Canadian Pacific S.S. Ltd.

Guzan Maru, Japanese str., 1,006 tons, Capt. M. Kanamoto, from Batavia, with a general cargo.—Yamashita S.S. Co.

Gorjistan, British str., 2,889 tons, Capt. J. Watson, from Amoy, with a general cargo.—China Mail S.S. Co.

Hellas, Chinese str., 600 tons, Capt. Lo Ng Wu, from Saigon, with rice.—Kwong Ching S.S. Co.

Hwa Hai, Chinese str., 1,355 tons, Capt. Newberry, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—C.M.S.S. Co.

Kanjo Maru, Japanese str., 2,015 tons, Capt. T. Notohige, from Keelung, with a general cargo.—O.S.K.

Keelung, British str., 2,833 tons, Capt. W. P. Bevan, from Singapore, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

Lokang, British str., 670 tons, Capt. Alexander, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—J.M. & Co.

Scitia, British str., 4,171 tons, Capt. K. Jenkins, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Taito Maru, Japanese str., from Canton.

Wray Castle, British str., 3,833 tons, Capt. R. I. Smith, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—Doddwell & Co.

Wuhu, British str., 1,327 tons, Capt. J. Pringle, from Amoy.—B. & S.

Yai Maru, Japanese str., 1,024 tons, Capt. W. Nishikawa, from Milke, with coal.—M.B.K.

CLEARANCES.

December 21st.

Alabuma Maru, for Dairen.

Jule, for Pakhoi.

Kam Yung Fat, for K. C. Wan.

Uterovics, for Singapore.

Yan Hai, for Amoy.

Yantai Maru, for Hongkong.

Yantai, for K. C. Wan.

Yantai Maru, for Singapore.

December 22nd.

Asahi Maru, for Keelung.

Bunko, for Bangkok.

Benlond, for Milke.

Chungking, for Hoihow.

City of York, for Shanghai.

Haitong, for Swatow.

Hwa Hai Maru, for Hongkong.

Hsin Wah, for Canton.

Huihai, for Wuchow.

Hydrangea, for Swatow.

Lokang, for Canton.

Nishiki Maru, for Shanghai.

Sardinia, for Singapore.

Scitia, for Shanghai.

Szechuen, for Swatow.

Taito Maru, for Saigon.

Telemachus, for Amoy.

Watu, for Shanghai.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The s.s. *Barrydale* (Blue Funnel), arrived at London on December 21st.

The Pacific Mail s.s. *President Lincoln* is due at about 5 p.m. on December 25th, and will be despatched for San Francisco via Manila, Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu on December 27th, at 4 p.m.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. *Kiyo Maru*, on Dec. 22nd:—Mr. A. Bulton, Mr. J. F. Lorrains, Mr. J. Juocchio.

Per R.M.S. *Empress of Asia*, on Dec. 22nd:—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Buckborough, Mr. G. Butchart, Mr. F. Bayle, Mr. J. S. Brodhead, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Calk, Mr. M. J. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. A. Chubbrough, Mr. G. Colgate, Jr., Mr. M. Cario, Miss F. Drinkwater, Mr. and Mrs. M. Doorlestin, Mr. J. Dewar, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Finney, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Fiske, Mrs. R. S. De Flores, Mr. and Mrs. M. Guggenheim, Miss Guggenheim, Mrs. C. Greenfield, Lieut. Comdr. E. Hoffmann, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kibbellewhite, Mr. P. D. Lochridge, Mrs. J. Leckie, Miss P. Legwartz, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Morgan, Mr. M. W. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. T. and Master Nichol, Prof. and Mrs. T. J. Preston, Mrs. J. H. Page, Mr. E. Stone, Mr. W. Thatcher, Mr. C. Vidman, Mr. C. Weinberger, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. White, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Abel, Miss J. Allsopp, Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Garcia and infant, Mr. A. Lundberg, Miss L. Ligarage, Mrs. A. S. Mitchell, Mr. R. E. Marshall, Mrs. J. B. Ray, Dr. R. Syquia, Capt. R. D. Thomas, Miss E. G. Traver, Mrs. A. Velig, Miss E. M. Witherup, Rev. K. C. Young, Miss F. Young. There were 117 Chinese in the steerage.

DEPARTURES.

Per Blue Funnel s.s. *Mentor*, on Dec. 22nd:—Mrs. A. Pullen, Lieut. E. D. Brooke, R.N., Lieut. W. E. May, R.N., Lieut. W. St. A. Mallet, V.C., R.N., Lieut. K. J. Riddell, R.N., Mrs. R. Moore, 2 daughters and son; Rev. and Mrs. R. K. Evans, Mr. Harrop, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Rankin, Mrs. M. Reddick, Mr. S. Kay, Mr. J. McDonald, Lieut. C. R. Usher, R.N., Mr. R. Lavis, R.N., Mr. J. Hardwick, Mr. Balls, Capt. C. G. de Godfrey, R.M.L.I. and Mrs. Godfrey.

Per R.M.S. *Empress of Australia*, on Dec. 22nd:—Mrs. M. Park, Mr. H. W. Moon, Capt. and Mrs. V. Curle, Mr. and Mrs. S. Gumpart, Capt. W. H. Hartman, Capt. C. A. Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Odell, Miss S. Weil, Mrs. C. L. Skinner, Mr. R. Roxburgh, Mr. R. Shaw, Mr. C. S. Sperry, Lieut. M. G. Marriott, Lieut. G. T. W. Littleton, Mr. and Mrs. G. Carlson, Mr. N. Talambras, Mr. T. S. Keatinge, Mr. J. Marcos, Commander R. V. Ayre, D.S.O., R.N., Mr. C. R. Powrie, Mr. L. Olsen, Mr. F. C. Raeburn, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Blackburn, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Borie, Mr. W. H. Borie, Jr., Mr. A. E. Golding, Mr. A. Carpi, Mr. C. W. Gay, Mr. J. J. M. Keulemans, Mr. D. E. Baker, Capt. C. Lancaster, Lieut. E. H. Mather, Lieut. H. N. Whiting, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Glover, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rasmussen, Mr. T. E. Mitchell, Lieut. E. L. Judd, Mr. G. Clarkson, Mr. H. MacAllan, Mr. Soldano, Mr. Cadinazzi, Mr. Tufone, Lieut. H. MacFarlane, Lieut. E. H. Moodie, Mr. and Mrs. Max Kommer, Mr. Nalaspino, Miss G. Schmitzer, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mauceri, Lieut. A. W. Aspinall, Mr. F. Woolf, Mr. S. E. Palmer, Miss M. I. Palmer, Mr. F. A. Boulton, Mr. A. Rausch, Mr. V. Artino, Mrs. V. Artino, Miss J. Nestoroff, Mr. R. G. Wheelton, Mr. P. Paci, Miss Dela, Miss Ambrosio, Miss Vornes, Miss M. F. Brown, Mr. V. Scanzuzzi, Mr. B. Cappelli, Mr. C. Caspagnino, Mrs. J. Shannon, Miss N. Avery, Miss A. Ballarin, Miss Ragonese, Miss Polastri, Mr. W. E. Earle, Mr. J. Dawson, Miss Llanes, Miss Palafax, Mr. and Mrs. G. Gorigi, Mrs. Vittini, Miss Baldassare, Miss Zanotti, Mr. C. Paterna, Mr. G. Bigardi, Mr. Contini, Mr. Giorgini, Mr. Scarrone, Mr. Feriolo, Mr. Lucini, Mr. E. W. Eickhoff, Mr. Borghesi, Mr. Granelli, Mrs. R. Polk, Mr. Nossina, Mr. Abdul Wahid, Mr. Randhir Singh, and several Chinese passengers.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Aki Maru (N.Y.K.), due Jan. 8th.

Akita Maru (N.Y.K.), due Jan. 2nd.

C. of Dunkirk (Bank Line), due Dec. 29th.

Diomed (Blue Funnel), due Dec. 24th.

Empress of Canada, due Jan. 1st.

Kamakura Maru (N.Y.K.), due Dec. 29th.

Moji Maru (N.Y.K.), due Dec. 28th.

Ningchow (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 10th.

Pres. Lincoln (P.M.), due Dec. 25th, 5 p.m.

Ruth Kayser (Rickers Line), due Dec. 28th.

St. Albans (E. & A.), due Jan. 8th.

Teiresias (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 11th.

Telemachus (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 4th.

Theseus (Blue Funnel), due Dec. 28th.

Trollus (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 10th.

Trishima Maru (N.Y.K.), due Jan. 5th.

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